

The American Legion, Post 22

Membership Meeting - Minutes

March 15th, 2023 at 6 P.M.

Opening Ceremonies (Commander) (6 P.M.)

- Post and salute the colors
- Chaplain offers prayer (remove cap)
- POW/MIA empty chair (Sergeant-at-Arms)
- Pledge of Allegiance (re-cover cap upon completion)
- Recite Preamble of Constitution of The American Legion
- Roll call to determine if quorum is present (min of 10 members): see sign in sheet

Follow with officer roll call: Present / Absent / Excused a. Commander (Van Delist) Χ b. 1st Vice Commander (R. Skjoldal) Χ c. 2nd Vice Commander (R. Jendry) Χ d. Adjutant (D. Harris) Χ e. Finance Officer (P. Rodriguez) Χ f. Chaplain (D. Fuller) Х g. Historian (N. Dupont) Х

- Minutes of previous meeting Electronically posted on website: https://www.alpost22rcsd.com/mtg-minutes-etc
 (Adjutant)
- Introduction of guests and prospective new members (Applicable host)
 - New members:

h. Sergeant-at-Arms (D. Dosch)

- John Marshall (USA) MP, Army Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve
- o Guests:
 - Department Commander Doug Feltman
 - Scholarship recipients
 - \$1,000: Beth Hodges (USMC) from WDT.

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- \$500: Austin Hillestad (USAF/SD Air Guard)
- \$500:
- Department Commander Pins:
 - Recruiting:
 - Randy Decker
 - Edward Mills
 - Paul Rodriguez
 - HS Oratorical Contest
 - Lisa Jendry

- Jackie Miller
- Julie Loofbourow
- Post Color/Honor Guard
 - Eric Nelson
- American legion Baseball
 - Colin Hofer (SAL)
 - o Tom Weaver
 - Steve Richey (SAL)
 - Wayne Sullivan (SAL)
- Committee Reports
 - o Finance (Rodriguez): All as of
 - Business: \$
 - Membership: \$ (pd \$794 for TAL emblem on bldg.; pd \$317 for TV; pd \$109 to TAL Flag and Emblem for Legion supplies)
 - Benevolence: \$ (pd \$250 to SD Vets Home in Hot Springs)
 - Americanism: \$ (pd \$555 to TAL Flag and Emblem for school medals etc.,; Pd \$2,500 to Black Hills Sports for Post 22 BB)
 - SAL: \$ (pd \$200 to SDAL Children and Youth) Sponsored Boys Stater
 - Honor Guard: \$
 - Capital Improvement Savings: \$
 - Scholarship Account: \$
 - Building Repair Loan: \$()
 - Membership (Harris): 2023 Membership year starts 1 July 2020 = Goal is 564.
 - Paid so far = 91% of goal
 - Recognition of Long Time Members
 - 50 Year certificates to
 - o Don G. Fuller
 - AL Riders Report (Fleming): went to Brown's school, Bingo night for 1st graders, and St. Patrick Day Party. Performed an escort during the last month and donated \$50 in quarters to Fort Meade veterans.
 - Post 22 Auxiliary Report (T. Curry/T. Fuller): participated in pancake breakfast with 40&8, BINGO Tuesdays, Terry is going to schools for Girl's State. Need more younger members to take things to the next level.
 - Americanism (D. Harris):
 - Oratorical Contestant Alex Vonderau will present his speech. Presentation of \$1,000 scholarship check.
 - Spring/Summer Programs:
 - Boys State: We currently have 6 boys from Stevens HS
 - Youth Trooper Academy: Still recruiting. One has signed up from Central H.S.
 - Athletic Officer (Lyle Tolsma): State Basketball tournament in Sioux Falls currently. Post 22 baseball tickets are now available. There are also Post 22 tickets at the bar, but it is requested that you always bring them back immediately following the game, so other members can use them.
 - Honor Guard (R. Skjoldal): going to be doing Post Everlasting ceremony on March 19th.
 Two funerals in the near future have also been scheduled.

- Sick call, relief, and employment (D. Fuller): Get well card sent to Ray Andrews. A sympathy card was sent to Ernie Sanford wife passed away, Gary Gunderson also passed away. Post everlasting is at 2 p.m. (not 1 p.m. as previously reported) on Sunday March 19th.
- Post Service Officer report (Van Delist): Nothing significant to report for the last month.
- Unfinished Business
 - Facility Improvement projects update.
 - HVAC Units in. Planned install on the week of the 27th (weather dependent)
 - Concrete: Waiting for the big thaw (April?)
 - American Legion Bday celebration on the 18th (Harris)
 - Still building the attendee list. If you haven't RSVP'd but intend to be there, please let me know at the end of the meeting.
 - Post Everlasting Ceremony on the 19th (Fuller)
 - March 19th at 2 P.M. Will last about 30 minutes.
- New Business
 - Nominations for 2023-2024 Post Officers
 - Post
 - Commander Doug Harris
 - 1st Vice R. Skjoldal
 - 2nd Vice Ricky Gendry
 - Finance Paul Rodriguez
 - Chaplain D. Fuller
 - Historian Kyle Skjoldal
 - Sgt-At-Arms Don Dosch
 - EC (4 positions available)
 - 1 Lyle Tolsma
 - 2 Tom Smith
 - 3 Ernie Sanford
 - 4 Ryan Skjoldal
 - 5 Don Dosch
 - 6 Mike Ball
 - 7 Chris Van Delist
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- The Good of the American Legion (Any member)
 - American Legion 104th Birthday Party at Post 22 on March 18th at 12 P.M. Lunch will be served. We will be honoring our LEO/FF of the year, as well as our Legionnaire of the Year. Please let Doug know if you plan to attend. He's trying to get a good number for food.
 - o Post Everlasting ceremony on March 19th at 2 P.M. Previously reported as 1 P.M. Harris will send out a message to let everyone know of the change. Done.
 - District 2 Spring Meeting in Hot Springs on March 26th. Starts at 11:30 A.M. Lyle Tolsma will be competing for Legionnaire of the Year, so please join us.
 - Army National Guard member Dotson's family house was a total loss following a fire in Box Elder area, family injuries, fund raising event Thursday March 23rd from 4 to 8 p.m. at Dakota Point Brewery - 405 Canal Street, Rapid City.
 - Department Commander Feltman shared a few words with our members "keep doing what you're doing". Building a strong family. Post 22 is doing a good job.
- Adjournment